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Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The previous recommendation made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 125 appears in the report of the Committee contained in document A/56/728.

2. The Fifth Committee resumed its consideration of the item at its 42nd, 45th and 46th meetings, on 4, 7 and 8 March 2002. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/56/SR.42, 45 and 46).

3. For its further consideration of the item, the Committee had before it a letter dated 27 December 2001 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly (A/56/767) and a letter dated 18 January 2002 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/56/35).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/56/L.42

4. At the 46th meeting, on 8 March, the Chairman introduced a draft resolution entitled "Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations" (A/C.5/56/L.42).

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/56/L.42 without a vote (see para. 6).

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III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

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The General Assembly,

Having considered the letter dated 27 December 2001 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly, [1]

1. *Requests* the Committee on Contributions to consider the issues raised in the Secretary-General's letter,[1] and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session;

2. *Decides* to consider the matter at its fifty-seventh session, taking into account the views of the Committee on Contributions thereon.

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[1] A/56/767.